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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

JOHN WILLIAMS 2705 FRONTAGE ROAD NW ROOM # 315 ROANOKE, VA. 24017

RE: John Williams

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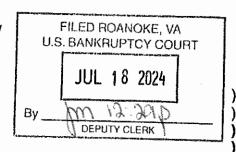
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 DEBTOR'S MOTION FOR
 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
 AS TO WHY THE LOWER
 COURT VIOLATED
 DEBTOR'S AUTOMATIC STAY

RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THIS COURT ISSUES AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE AS TO WHY THE ROANOKE CITY GENERAL DISTRICT COURT, STATE OF VIRGINIA, VIOLATED THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND AUTOMATIC STAY STATUS OF DEBTOR JOHN WILLIAMS, DENYING HIM DUE PROCESS OF LAW.

THE AUTOMATIC STAY THAT THIS SPECIFIC CHAPTER 13 PROVIDED THE DEBTOR WAS COMPLETELY IGNORED BY JUDGE THOMAS W. ROE. JR. OF THE ROANOKE CITY GENERAL DISTRICT COURT, STATE OF VIRGINIA, AND THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF IN THE DEBTOR'S EVICTION CASE, BRETT C. HERBERT, Esq. AS THEY BOTH PROCEEDED WITH THE NON-JURY-TRIAL FOR EVICTION AGAINST HIM AND ENTERED A JUDGMENT FOR EVICTION AND A WRIT OF POSSESSION EVEN THOUGH THE HEARING WAS NULLIFIED BY THE DEBTOR'S AUTOMATIC STAY (PLEASE SEE EXHIBIT A.) THEREFORE, THEY BOTH DENIED THE DEBTOR DUE PROCESS OF LAW AND FRANKLY, DISRESPECTED THE AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT AS WELL AS OF THE HONORABLE JUDGE PAUL M. BLACK.

THE DEBTOR, JOHN WILLIAMS, FILED A CHAPTER 13 ON MAY 13TH, 2024, AND FILED A COPY OF THE "NOTICE OF BANKRUPTCY CASE FILING" CERTIFICATE IN THE LOWER COURT, ROANOKE CITY GENERAL DISTRICT, THE SAME DAY, THE DEBTOR THEN APPEARED FOR THE NON-JURY-TRIAL FOR EVICTION THE FOLLOWING DAY, MAY 14, 2024, TO ENSURE HE WOULD NOT BE DENIED DUE PROCESS OF LAW SIMPLY BECAUSE HE WAS NOT PRESENT AT THE HEARING EVEN THOUGH, WITH THE AUTOMATIC IN PLACE, HE DIDN'T NEED TO APPEAR. THE COURT DENIED HIM DUE PROCESS OF LAW, REGARDLESS.

THE DEBTOR THEN FILED A MOTION TO VACATE THE JUDGMENT FOR EVICTION AND HAD A HEARING ON JUNE 21ST, 2024 BUT JUDGE THOMAS W. ROE. JR., IGNORING ON THE MOTION, DISMISSED IT. PLEASE SEE EXHIBIT B.

THE DEFENDANT RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE HONORABLE JUDGE PAUL M. BLACK GIVE JUDGE THOMAS W. ROE, JR. A CALL TO DETERMINE HOW HE THOUGHT THAT THE DEFENDANT'S AUTOMATIC STAY ON MAY 14TH, 2024, HAD NO MERIT IN HIS COURT ROOM REGARDING AN EVICTION COMPLAINT FOR PUNITIVE DAMAGES AS WELL AS POSSESSION OF REAL PROPERTY. HE NOT ONLY DISREGARDED THE AUTHORITY OF THE HONORABLE JUDGE PAUL M. BLACK BUT HE ALSO DISREPECTED THE AUTHORITY OF THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL BANKRUPTCY COURT.

IT IS SAID THAT AMERICA IS A NATION OF LAWS. THAT IS TRUE. BUT ONLY IF WE ALL ADHERE TO THEM. THE DEFENDANT BELIEVES THAT JUDGE THOMAS M. ROE JR. AND ATTORNEY BRETT C. HERBERT, Esq., DENIED HIM DUE PROCESS OF LAW.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT the the foregoing is true and correct.

JOHN WILLIAMS

Debtor in Pro Per

Dated: 07-17-2024

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EXHIBIT "B

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Also, there was a question during the hearing on 05-14-2024 as to whether or not the Plaintiff was listed as a creditor in the Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Petition. Well, of course they were. Please see EXHIBIT "A". That was the entire reason the Defendant filed the Bankruptcy Petition. To get protection from his creditor so that he would not have to join the Homeless Community of Roanoke City/America. After all, there is homeless epidemic in this Country. Anyone in the courtroom during that hearing could have seen that by looking at the Defendants Bankruptcy Petition in P.A.C.E.R. The Defendant assumed that the Judge and the Plaintiff's Attorney knew how to use P.A.C.E.R. and would do so before entering a judgment.

It is said often that "We Are A Nation Of Laws." That very is true. But only if everyone follows them.

According to the America Bar Association:

The automatic stay (or the "stay") is one of the most important protections and powerful tools available to a debtor in bankruptcy. It is provided for in section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code. Triggered immediately on filing of the bankruptcy petition, it automatically stops substantially all acts and proceedings against the debtor and its property. It is a nationwide, possibly even worldwide, injunction barring almost all actions against the debtor and its property, including the exercise of remedies concerning collateral, enforcement of pre-petition judgments, litigation, collection efforts, and acts to create, perfect, and enforce liens granted before the date the bankruptcy petition was filed. The automatic stay only applies to pre-petition events and does not bar suit against the debtor based on a cause of action arising post-petition.

The automatic stay has a broad scope, applying to all creditors, whether secured or unsecured, and to all of the debtor's property, wherever located. It forbids creditors from pursuing both formal and informal actions and remedies against the debtor and its property. It also covers remedies that could be exercised outside of the US. However, consensual negotiations with the debtor are permitted.

11 US Code § 362 - Automatic stay:

(22)subject to subsection (I), under subsection (a)(3), of the continuation of any eviction, unlawful detainer action, or similar proceeding by a lessor against a debtor involving residential property in which the debtor resides as a tenant under a lease or rental agreement and with respect to which the lessor has obtained before the date of the filing of the bankruptcy petition, a judgment for possession of such property against the debtor;

(23)subject to subsection (m), under subsection (a)(3), of an eviction action that seeks possession of the residential property in which the debtor resides as a tenant under a lease or rental agreement based on endangerment of such property or the illegal use of controlled substances on such property, but only if the lessor files with the court, and serves upon the debtor, a certification under penalty of perjury that such an eviction action has been filed, or that the debtor, during the 30-day period preceding the date of the filing of the certification, has endangered property or illegally used or allowed to be used a controlled substance on the property;

Again, the Defendant, John Williams, very respectfully requests that Judge Thomas Roe closely examines 11 US Code § 362 - Automatic stay and how it protects tenants going through an eviction.

The Defendant prays that this court takes his plea into serious consideration. The Defendant also respectfully requests that his Constitutional Rights are not ignored/violated and that he is not denied due process of law simply because he is a 68 year old African American Male (that has given the best years of his life for this Country and has never ask for a penny in return) and that cannot afford an attorney. Please.

DATED: June 14th, 2024 Respectfully Submitted by: John Williams EXHIBIT "B" Pg. 2

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| 4 | I, John Williams, do hereby certify that we have served a copy of my "DEFENDANT'S |
| 5 | MOTION FOR AN EX-PARTE HEARING TO SET ASIDE AND VACATE ORDER FOR EVICTION" on the party listed below by depositing the same in the United States Mail, First |
| 6 | class with postage prepaid on June 14th, 2024. |
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| 9 | EXTENDED STAY AMERICA SELECT SUITES-ROANOKE-AIRPORT c/o SHAWN M. SWEENEY, ESQ. |
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